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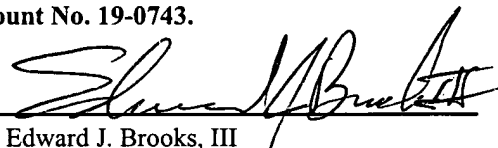
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- ☒ A Clean Version of Pending Claims (7 pgs.).

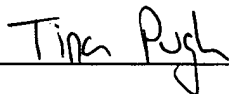
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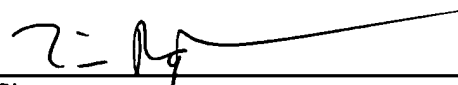
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**AMENDMENT & RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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In response to the Final Office Action mailed June 18, 2001, please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please substitute the claim set in the appendix entitled Clean Version of Pending Claims for the previously pending claim set. The substitute claim set is intended to reflect amendment of previously pending claims 19, 20, 79, 81, 82, 84, 85, 104-106, 113, 115 and 117 and the addition of new claims 119-124. The specific amendments to individual claims are detailed in the following marked up set of claims.

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19. (Twice Amended) A capacitor, comprising:  
a first conductive capacitor plate of a first material;  
a second conductive capacitor plate; and  
a dielectric interposed between said first and second conductive capacitor plates, wherein said dielectric is an oxide of a metal layer of a second material overlying the first conductive capacitor plate.
20. (Twice Amended) A memory system, comprising:  
a monolithic memory device, comprising a capacitor, wherein the capacitor comprises:  
a first conductive capacitor plate;  
a second conductive capacitor plate; and